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Title: CONTINUOUS CASTING INSTALLATION,
ESPECIALLY A THIN SLAB CONTINUOUS CASTING
INSTALLATION

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AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated October 6, 2003, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of one month, extending the time for responding to the Office Action to February 6, 2004. A check for the fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a) accompanies this response.